PREMATURE BLAST COSTS FIVE LIVES

Four Negroes and One White Man Killed in Manganese Mine.

BADLY MUTILATED

Explosion Occurs While Heavy Charge Is Being Prepared.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Lynchburg, Va., October 25.—The premature explosion of a charge of dynamite and powder, which was being ramined for a blast, this morning shortly before 2 o'clock, practically wiped out an entire blasting gang in one of the mines of the Piedmont Manganese Corporation. The mines are located about six miles east of Lynchburg. As a result of the explosion, five men were killed and two were sion, five men were killed and two were injured. One of the latter sustained hurts that will probably prove fatal.

The injured were brought to the Lynchburg Hospital several hours after the accident.

The dead:

Floyd Freeman, colored, skull cursh-d and compound fracture of the left

Calvin Freeman, colored, brother of Floyd, left side of face and head

crushed, right forcarm crushed and left hip fractured.

Charles E. Johnson, colored, left side of head and face crushed, left arm and shoulder fractured in four places, right side of chest crushed. Adolphus Giles, colored, hend crushed. right arm scalded, left arm fractured above cloon, one finger blown off,

compound fracture of both legs from William Gohne, white, blown to

The injured:
Fellx Tucker, white, wound two inches long on top of head; will recover.
Charles Wilson, colored, left side of face badly torn; gash under right eye; fracture at base of the skull, and bleeding from nose, ears and mouth;

condition serious.

At the time of the accident the seven men, all of a night blasting force, excepting the foreman, were at work in driving a new level from the main shaft, the workmen being 190 feet because the seven men and the serious and the serious the serious that the serious the serious that the serious the serious that low the surface and working in an opening six feet high and five feet wide. They were blasting an opening wide. They were blasting an opening in solid granite for a rallway, using compressed air-driven drills. Four or five holes were driven into the solid reck, the drills being horizontal. These were all to be tamped and then, from a distance of 200 yards, they were to be exploded by electricity.

With the exception of Felix Tucker, who was near the main shaft, twenty yards away, the gang was working closely together. Charles Johnson, who was killed, was ramming the powder which was being poured from a

who was killed, was ramming the pow-der which was being poured from a can by one of the helpers. This ex-plosive was being rammed, it is un-derstood, on top of a stick of dyna-mite, and the ramming, it is reported, was being done with a steel-bar in-stead of a piece of wood, as is re-quired by the mine authorities.

Colored Man Is Hero.

Mine employes who live near the mines were aroused by the explosion. and an effort at rescue way soon un-der way, and in this William Sorreil, a colored miner, proved himself a hero. He went into the mine, which was so filled with the pewder that the electric lights were darkened and he could not see a foot away from

his individual lamp. Sorrell was lowered 190 feet to the level in which the explosion occurred, making the trip in the crude bucket of the shaft. At the bottom of the shaft Sorrell heard the groans of a man, but he could not see him, despite his lamp and the electric lights. Casting aside the lamp, the negro began to grope around on all fours until he found the unconscious man, who proved to be Charles Johnson. Getting the man in the bucket, he was hoisted, and the negro, one by one, found the rest of the bodies and sent them to the picked up in small pieces by the negro

Foreman Narrowly Escapes.

Owes HerLife to

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(Affidavit) JOS. GRIMMER.

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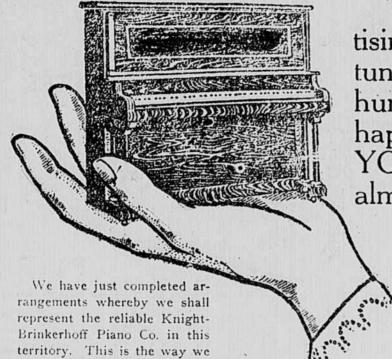
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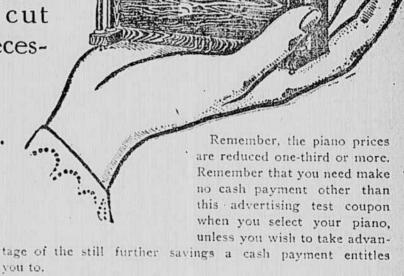
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If you can't get to the store in person, mail us the coupon, together with style and priced piano you desire. We will send same to your home immediately. Examine it. If you don't feel satisfied that it's the best value ever offered at the price, return it at our expense!

surface. William Gohne, the only white man who lost his life, was blown to atoms, his remains being caused by previous blasts. Just a few minutes before the explosion he said to the gang that his head was achthe ing so that he would have to go out shift, owes his life to the fact that of the mine for fresh air. Tucker had hardly reached the top of the shaft

before the explosion was heard. The report this morning that the nine had been badly injured by the Rev. F. E. Warren Will Tell His Con-This Lung Medicine explosion proves to be erroneous, for the blast did nothing more to the mine than to blow out the rock it was designed to remove.

mines, most of them being in the works, however, during the day.

LOUISA

Louisa. Va., October 25.—The second dance of the Louisa German Club was given in the Town Hall Friday night. About twenty couples danced the various fancy dances, and a number of visitors were spectators. Chaperones for the evening were Mrs. R. L. Harrett, Mrs. S. H. Flannagan, Mrs. D. N. Walker and Mrs. S. H. Flannagan, Mrs. D. N. Walker and Mrs. S. H. Flannagan, Mrs. D. N. Walker and Mrs. Bay the second of the second

CONCORD

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Concord, Va., October 25.—Mr. and Mrs.
B. L. Crans, who have been guests of the latter's aunt. Mrs. B. F. Woodson, for the past week, left on Tuesday for Lynchburg.
Mr. and Mrs. Crans, will tour the South Cuba.

Mrs. H. C. Page, of Crewe, spent Monday.

Mrs. Phil Akers and Albert Neighbors

left Monday for West Virginia.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Price and son. Billle,

of High Point, N. C., who were guests of

the latter's parents, left Tuesday for their home.

Mrs. George Mann, of New Mexico, arrived here Wednesday to visit her parents,
Mr. and Mrs. Watson Caldwell.

Professor John Fisher, of Brookneal, was
a visitor here on Saturday and Sunday.

Rev. J. W. M. Elder left Tuesday for
Danville, to attend the synod there tha
week.

Mrs. P. Hudson has recovered from herrecent illness.

NEWS OF SOUTH RICHMOND

TO PREACH LAST SERMON

gregation Farewell To-Night. Rev. F. Ernest Warren, rector of Meade Memorial Episcopal Church, who complished much work in his pastor-was recently called to the Church of ate, will regret his departure. About 125 men are employed at the inis farewell sermon to-night and tell

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on Tuesday. He will take up his new duties on Sunday morning. No arrangements have been made by the riends of Mr. Warren, who has ac

The Boy Scout troop of Meade Me morial Church, which was organized his congregation good-by. Mr. Warren by Mr. Warren last month, has been will move his family to Ginter Park united with the organization of the Church of the Good Shepherd, Forest Hill, Rev. J Lewis Gibbs, the rector will be the scoutmaster.

In Southside Churches.

"The Elder Brother in the Modern Church" will be the subject of the sermon to be preached by Rev. Wesley Baker this morning in Porter Street Presbyterian Church. Mr. Baker will deliver a special sermon to the Boy Scouts of South Richmond at the evening service. Under the direction of Scoutmaster Odis B. Hinnant, the boys will march to the church in full unl

Rev. Henry C. Pfeiffer will conduct day in Central Methodist Church. Rev. A. C. Berryman, of Woodland Heights, will preach the sermon this morning in West End Methodist

The members of the Woodland Heights Methodist Church will meet this afternoon at 4 o'clock in the home of Rev. A. C. Berryman, where services will be conducted by the Rev. Henry C. Pfeiffer, pastor of Central Methodist Church.

HE DID NOT CONSPIRE

J. R. Wilson Dismissed for Attempted Wife Poisoning, but Bonded.

show that he had any criminal inten- ing of catarrh. tions against his wife.

When questioned on the stand yes terday by Commonwealth's Attornty

testified that Wilson tried to buy potson from him, offering \$25 in payment for it. W. W. Friend told how the man had bought two grains of strych nine from him, saying that he wanted to kill a dog. The death of a horse was his excuse for purchasing acoulte

from E. G. Harrison. Attorney Joseph C. Nunnally represented Wilson in the trial, which lasted for nearly two hours.

Big Warehouse Nearing Completion. Work on the new tobacco warehouse

with what company the policy was other speakers. An interesting pro- operated on at taken out. Dr. William H. Buches gram has been arranged. The Scouts' new home is fitted up with excellent equipment for field and indoor work, confined to her home for the every Monday night.

Owing to the rain on Friday, which 408 Hull Street, was scheduled as the closing day, the J. T. Mooney Chesterfield County Fair remained his home, 317 Porter Street, open yesterday. A large crowd viewed the exhibits at the courthouse, and the fair directors said that they felt re-paid in keeping open a day longer.

Hospital yesterday. Her condition last night was reported to be favorable.

Mrs. Henry C. Pfeiffer, who has been Meetings will be held there regularly days with a severe attack of grippe, is much improved.

Miss Ella Thompson, of New York, is the guest of Mrs. O. F. Merritt, of

T. Mooney continues quite ill at

BOWLING GREEN

Work on the new tobacco warehouse of the E. K. Victor Company, on Semmes Avenue, is progressing rapidly. The concrete abutments for the foundation have been laid, and a large force of workmen is engaged in building the walls. The structure is expected to be completed within the next sixty days. It will cost about \$10,000, and will be the largest building used for storage purposes on the Southside.

Scouts Open Headquarters.
Troop No. 11, Boy Scouts, will formally open its new headquarters, 1216
Perry Street, with a reception to the parents and friends to-morrow night at 8 o'clock An address will be delivered by Scoutmaster Odis B, Hin-

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